

PORT OF THE DALLES COMMISSION
Regular Session Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, May 8, 2024, 5:30 p.m.
Northern Wasco County Parks & Recreation District, The Dalles, Oregon

The Regular Session Meeting of the Port Commissioners was called to order by President Wallace at 5:32 p.m.

ROLL CALL Executive Director Klaas

- o COMMISSION Robert Wallace, President; Greg Weast, Vice-President; Staci Coburn, Treasurer; John Willer, Secretary
VIRTUAL: Mary Hanlon, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer
- o STAFF Andrea Klaas, Executive Director; Jennifer Toepke Executive Assistant; Bill Dick, Attorney, Dick, Dick & Corey
- o GUESTS Matt & Shannon Garrett, Hage Electric; Jacques Gagne, Co-Founder & Chief Technology Officer (CTO), 280 Earth; Dan Spatz, Economic Development Officer (EDO), City of The Dalles

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

AGENDA CORRECTIONS/ADDITIONS *Remove: Agenda M. Action Item 1. April 10, 2024, Regular Session Meeting Minutes*

PUBLIC COMMENT OR QUESTION *None*

REGULAR SESSION ADJOURNED AT 5:34 P.M. & EXECUTIVE SESSION COMMENCED AT 5:35 P.M.

EXECUTIVE SESSION as allowed by ORS 192.660(2)(e) To conduct deliberations with persons designated by the governing body to negotiate real property transactions, and ORS 192.660(2)(h) To consult with counsel concerning the legal rights and duties of a public body with regard to current litigation or litigation likely to be filed. *Media representatives are instructed not to report or disclose matters discussed in Executive Session

EXECUTIVE SESSION ADJOURNED AT 5:59 P.M. & REGULAR SESSION RESUMED AT 6:01 P.M.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION *None*

OPENED PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Budget approved by Port of The Dalles Budget Committee on April 17, 2024 at 6:02 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Budget approved by Port of The Dalles Budget Committee on April 17, 2024 *None*

REPORTS

1. Director's Report Executive Director Klaas *Stands as presented, plus Executive Director Klaas distributed print copies of the Strategic Planning Workshop Summary Report and Gorge Pitch Fest flyer. Klaas added: Rain gutters were installed on the Port Administrative Office Building; Tenneson Engineering inspected the building for an external solution to the flooding. Rod Huante of Get 'Er Done will be clearing the brush from the Marina Park (Port property between The Dalles Marina and the City Terminal). Still no news from the Victims Coordinator at the District Attorney's Office reference the Morelli Tree Cut Case.*
2. The Dalles Community Outreach Team Commissioner Weast *was unable to attend this month's meeting. EDO Spatz offered that the COT is planning their next trip to Washington, D.C. for the 2nd week of September.*
3. Columbia Gateway Urban Renewal Agency Board Commissioner Coburn *There was only a Budget Committee Meeting this month.*
4. Wasco County Economic Development Commission Executive Assistant Toepke *There was no meeting this month.*
5. Dufur Commissioner Wallace *City of Dufur's wastewater project is moving forward. A tour of the new community-based health center at the school is recommended.*

UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS *Stand as included in meeting packet.*

CLOSE PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Budget approved by Port of The Dalles Budget Committee on April 17, 2024 at 6:19 p.m.

ACTION ITEMS

1. April 10, 2024, Regular Session Meeting Minutes *Removed from Agenda*
2. April 17, 2024, Budget Committee Meeting Minutes *M/G. Weast S/J. Willer, Motion Approved Unanimously*
3. April 26, 2024, Planning Session Meeting Minutes *M/G. Weast S/J. Willer, Motion Approved Unanimously*

4. April 2024 Financial Reports Commissioner Coburn Approved by Consensus
5. Resolution No. 2024-002 Adopting the Budget, Making Appropriations, Imposing the Tax, Categorizing the Tax, Fiscal Year 2024-2025 M/J. Willer S/S. Coburn. Motion Approved Unanimously
6. 280 Earth Phase II Development, Five-year Enterprise Zone Abatement Request Approved by Consensus
Jacques Gagne, Co-Founder & Chief Technology Officer (CTO), 280 Earth and Dan Spatz, Economic Development Officer (EDO), City of The Dalles answered Commission questions and Spatz clarified that the three partners, City of The Dalles, Wasco County & Port of The Dalles, did not need to approve the Five-year Enterprise Zone Abatement Request, but they needed to concur. Commissioner Wallace welcomed Gagne to return soon to present their progress/findings to the Commission.

COMMISSION CALL Commissioner Hanlon appreciated the time to brainstorm during the recent strategic planning session and would like to concentrate on access to the river. Commissioner Willer added that he likes the idea of a dog park down at the Marina Park. Commissioner Wallace was impressed with the Regards to Rural Annual Event that he attended in the Tri-Cities, Washington. Tribal economic development work was at the forefront.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE PORT COMMISSION, the meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

PORT OF THE DALLES:



Robert Wallace, President
Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:



John Willer, Secretary
Board of Commissioners

DATE APPROVED: June 12, 2024

Prepared by: Executive Assistant Toepke